

COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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HARM REDUCTION SERVICES: President Pro Tem <u>Priscilla Tyson</u>, chair of the Health and Human Services Committee, Council President <u>Zach Klein</u> and Councilmember <u>Michael Stinziano</u> are supporting ordinance 1596-2017 to extend an existing contract with Equitas Health to provide Naloxone to opiate users. Last year, harm reduction services provided by the organization were responsible for over 60% of clients having access to the lifesaving drug Naloxone.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS GRANT PROGRAM: Councilmember <u>Elizabeth Brown</u>, chair of the Economic Development Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 1524-2017 to support the Create Columbus Young Professionals Grants Program. The mission of the grant program is to support initiatives by and for young professionals. Each applicant can request any amount up to \$10,000 for a program that provides strategic funding for innovative efforts with broad reach.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT: Councilmember <u>Mitchell Brown</u>, chair of the Public Safety Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 1825-2017 to support National Night Out in Columbus. This annual event is intended to highlight police programs within communities and raise the awareness of neighborhood watch programs, drug prevention efforts and other community policing initiatives. The Columbus Division of Police Community Liaison Section deserves special recognition for their work to ensure the success of this event. Columbus will celebrate National Night Out on August 1, 2017.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS: Councilmember Shannon Hardin, chair of the Public Service and Transportation Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 1607-2017 to enter into a contract for construction improvements of over one mile of Alum Creek Drive from Performance Way to Integrity Drive North. Improvements include the reconstruction and widening of the existing two lane road to a five lane road with a two-way center turn lane. The project also includes a shared use path, sidewalk, street lighting,





traffic signals, storm sewers, waterline work power relocation and the replacement of the existing bridge deck.

SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM: Councilmember <u>Jaiza Page</u>, chair of the Recreation and Parks Committee, is sponsoring ordinance 1827-2017 to enter into contract with the Workforce Development Board in support of the Capital Leaders: Civic Engagement Summer Enrichment program. The program curriculum will include lessons on professional development, interviewing skills, civic engagement, financial literacy and career opportunities. Participants will also attend group field trips and participate in volunteer activities throughout the City.

WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENTS: Councilmember <u>Michael Stinziano</u>, chair of the Public Utilities Committee, is sponsoring an ordinance to pay for an Ohio EPA approved treatment project at Southerly Waste Water Treatment Plant. This is one of three projects at Southerly that will increase water quality improvement capacity while treating increased sewer flows from periods of increased wet weather.

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